

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 246
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 24, 2013; January 29, 2013,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence;
 1-4 February 6, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 5, Nays 0; February 6, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 West	X			
1-8 Rodriguez	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Carona			X	
1-11 Hancock	X			
1-12 Paxton	X			

1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to the electronic submission of a request for an attorney
 1-17 general opinion.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 402.042, Government
 1-20 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-21 (c) A request for an opinion must be in writing and sent by
 1-22 certified or registered mail, with return receipt requested,
 1-23 addressed to the office of the attorney general in Austin, or
 1-24 electronically to an electronic mail address designated by the
 1-25 attorney general for the purpose of receiving requests for opinions
 1-26 under this section. The attorney general shall:

1-27 (1) acknowledge receipt of the request not later than
 1-28 the 15th day after the date that it is received; and

1-29 (2) issue the opinion not later than the 180th day
 1-30 after the date that it is received, unless before that deadline the
 1-31 attorney general notifies the requesting person in writing that the
 1-32 opinion will be delayed or not rendered and states the reasons for
 1-33 the delay or refusal.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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